



BERLIN IN ANARCHY'S GRIP HUNDRED SLAIN IN STREETS

Hundreds of Returning Sailors Form Guard and Seize Red Castle, Formerly a Palace of Royalty, Drawing Fire From Machine Guns of Potsdam Guards

MUTINOUS SAILORS HOIST WHITE FLAG

Resignation of Haas and Ebert Demanded by Rioters Who Shout for Ledebour and Leibknecht's Elevation to Control

LONDON, DECEMBER 26.—(Associated Press)—Nearly 100 persons were killed in the street fighting which began in Berlin Tuesday morning, according to latest reports from the German capital transmitted by the Exchange Telegraph Correspondent at Copenhagen.

The republican guards tried several times to take the royal stables and the headquarters belonging to the Berlin guards and a few of the republican guards joined the sailors, Vorwaerts reports.

When these reports were sent a large number of armed civilians were continuing to join the sailors. They demanded the Premier Ebert and Secretary Haase resign, and be replaced by Geo. Ledebour and Dr. Karl Liebknecht.

Dr. Liebknecht, the advices add, went to the chancellor's palace and had a long conference with the minister, the result of which is unknown.

Further fighting was anticipated as the Sparticans and the sailors had decided to attempt to force the guard to return to Potsdam.

According to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen a force of 800 sailors on Monday formed a guard and seized the Red Castle, one of the former royal palaces.

The Republican guard with machine guns and artillery bombarded the castle. Holes were made in the walls, the porches were destroyed and all windows smashed.

The guard eventually occupied the castle but the sailors were still holding another large building at the time the dispatch was filed.

REDS HOIST WHITE FLAG

LONDON, DECEMBER 26.—(Associated Press)—The mutinous sailors who had been holding out in the Red Palace at Berlin, have hoisted the white flag and have been allowed to leave under guard, according to advices from Berlin sent by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Amsterdam. Government troops, the message adds, now occupy the palace and the royal stables.

VORWAERTS IS SEIZED

(By Associated Press)
Berlin, December 25.—(Night) — Bulletin—The editorial rooms and publishing plant of the Socialist Vorwaerts were seized and occupied at ten o'clock tonight by members of the Spartacus group.

UNITS ASSIGNED FOR EARLY CONVOY

(By Associated Press)
Washington, December 26.—A list of units of the Expeditionary Forces assigned for early convoy home ca-

bled today, comprises 600 officers and nearly 20,000 men. They include the 44, 60 and 64 coast artillery regiments and 49 and 331 infantry.

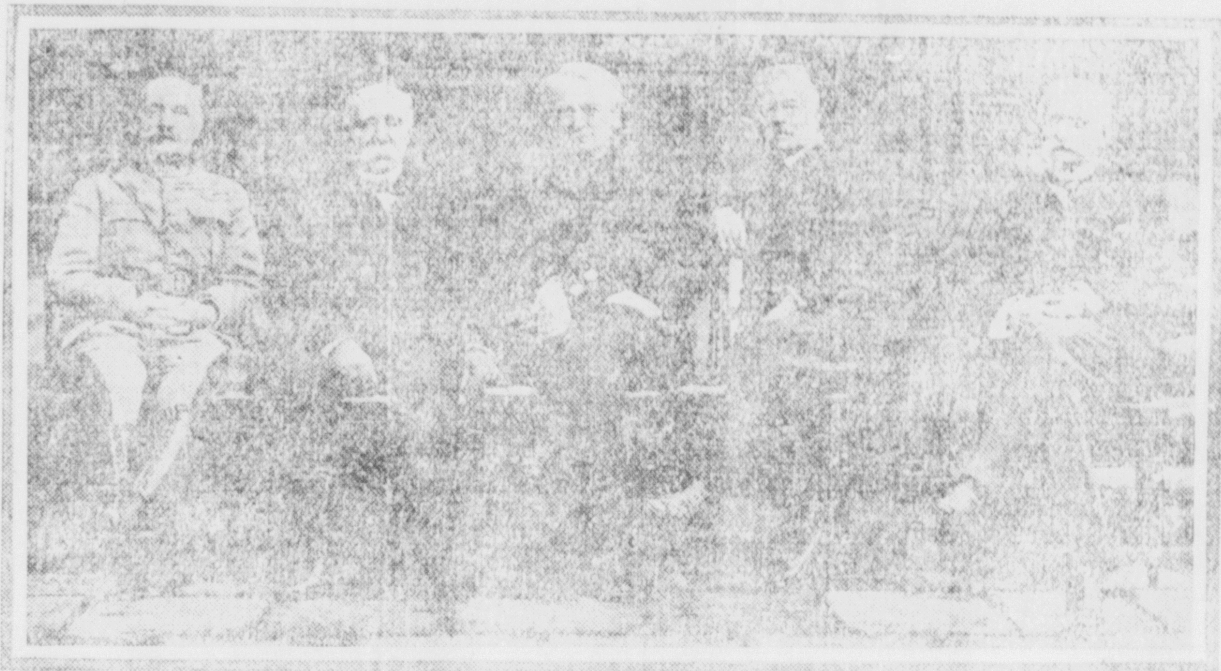
331ST INFANTRY TO RETURN SOON

(By Associated Press)
Columbus, O., December 26.—The 331st Infantry which it was announced had been designated for early return to the United States, is a part of the Eighty-Third Division and is composed of men from Ohio. It was trained at Camp Sherman and went overseas early last summer.

HUNS RETURN LOOT

(By Associated Press)
Paris, Dec. 26.—(By Associated Press)—The Germans have returned stocks taken from the banks in Northern France, amounting approximately to \$1,200,000,000. Several safes weighing from five to seven tons each, which the Germans did not open and are now in Brussels, soon will be brought back to Valenciennes.

GROUP PICTURE OF ALLIED LEADERS



ALLIED LEADERS
An exclusive photograph of the leaders of France, England and Italy taken December 7 in London, where they had gathered for a conference. The picture was made in the courtyard of the official home of Premier Lloyd George, at 10 Downing street, London. From left to right: Marshal Foch and Premier Clemenceau, of France; Premier Lloyd George of England; Premier Orlando, of Italy and Baron Sonnino, Italian delegate to the Peace Conference.

LAW FIXING PRICE FOR 1919 WHEAT

Representative Lever of Agricultural Committee of House Makes Recommendation.

Protection Against Wheat and Flour Imports From Other Lands.

(By Associated Press)

Washington, December 26.—Legislation to make effective the wheat price guarantee for the 1919 crop and at the same time to safeguard the government against losses was recommended to Congress today by the Department of Agriculture and Food Administration.

A memorandum sent to Representative Lever of So. Carolina, chairman of the House Agricultural Committee made the following recommendations:

"Extension by Congress beyond June 1, 1920, of the date for the government purchase of the 1919 crop. "Continuance of the food administration's grain corporations or creation of a new agency to buy, store and sell 1919 wheat that may be offered to the government.

"Possible legislative provision to protect the government against wheat or flour brought in from other countries during the period of effectiveness of the guaranteed price, and protect buyers of such wheat as long as the wheat is in this country and not consumed."

The memorandum was compiled with the approval of President Wilson and Secretary Houston said:

"The Government has made a guarantee and it goes without saying it must be made effective."

WINS PARIS



PRINCE HUMBERT OF ITALY

Prince Humbert, Crown Prince of Italy, won the heart of Paris on his first visit to the ancient city. Prince Humbert accompanied his father, King Victor Emmanuel, who is there for the Peace Conference. The Paris newspapers described the Prince as "the handsomest and smilingest boy in all Europe."

A NEW RULING IN CINCINNATI

(By Associated Press)
Cincinnati, O., December 26.—A decision that may have an effect upon the policy of every city administration in Ohio was handed down by Judge Gus Weiler, in the Superior Court today.

The court ruled that the city authorities had the right to award a bid for street improvements even though the lowest bidder was above the estimate made by the city engineer. Heretofore it has been a custom to re-advertise for bids when no bid was as low as the engineer's estimates.

The court held, however, that this was purely a custom and not mandatory and in these days of fluctuating prices it would be difficult for an engineer to give an estimate that would be really worth something three or four months later.

IMPORTANT ADDRESS EXPECTED

President's Visit to Soldiers At The Front is One Long To Be Remembered.

Significance Attached to Utterance That No Fundamental Differences Existed.

(By Associated Press)

On Board President Wilson's Special Train, Enroute to Calais, December 26.—At least one very important address may be expected from President Wilson while in England. Whatever public speech he will make will be, of course, in explanation to the British people themselves, who he believes are in accord with the principles upon which the making of peace has been begun.

In his address to the American troops yesterday President Wilson said he had found no difference in principles or fundamental purpose. He expects to return to Paris to continue the work of the peace conference with what may be differences of opinion cleared away or on the way to accomplishment.

Mr. Wilson's visit to soldiers in billets will long be remembered. At one time he climbed a ladder to the loft of a stable to chat with soldiers. Everywhere the boys and girls of the little towns brought native flowers for gifts to him. One little miss actually hopped into his car and planted a kiss upon his cheek before the President knew what was taking place.

LONDON WELCOMES WILSON ROYALLY

First Visit of an American President to England Stirs Quiet Britishers to Wild Enthusiasm

TRIP ACROSS CHANNEL ATTENDED WITH GREAT CEREMONY

LONDON, DECEMBER 26.—(Associated Press)—President and Mrs. Wilson were in Buckingham Palace this afternoon after a journey from Calais to London during which they were accorded all honors ever given royalty.

Never has a royal progress, except those of great national ceremonials, excited such interest here as the first state visit of an American president.

The drive of the short procession from the station to the palace was made through streets lined with the guard regiments in khaki. Fresh flags hung overhead and covered all buildings while all open spaces were filled with people, many of whom wore the American colors.

Probably the most interesting part of the scene for the President was the people who crowded to greet him.

The day being a holiday, working men and women had a chance to turn out with their children. They made the most of their opportunity and to no sprat of British humanity could the President have made a greater appeal. While the formal features were well staged and managed, the human factor presented the most interesting part of the spectacle.

125th street, where 10,650 men then disembarked for the land parade down Fifth Avenue.

Only the sea fighters of the European squadron, fresh from the North Sea watch with the British Grand Fleet and from the battleship patrol off the French coast, joined the land parade. Even the men of the Pennsylvania who had conveyed to France the first President of the United States to set foot on foreign soil were denied this honor—the country's tribute for foreign service.

URGENT RESUMPTION OF ENLISTMENTS

(By Associated Press)

Washington, December 26.—Immediate legislation authorizing resumption of voluntary enlistment in the army and repeal of provisions of the selective service act limiting enlistments to the period of the war were urged today by Secretary Baker in a letter to Chairman Dent of the House Military Committee.

Without the legislation Secretary Baker said, the army after the proclamation of peace would not have sufficient force to perform essential military duty including policing the Mexican border.

NEUTRALS OUT

May Later Participate in The League of Nations Discussions

(By Associated Press)

Paris, December 26.—Allied representatives have decided that neutral nations will not be admitted to the peace conference, according to newspapers here.

Neutrals may address their claims to belligerents, however, and any demand thus made will be referred to a special body created by the Reade Conference.

It has been decided, it is reported, that neutrals will be allowed to participate in the deliberations incident to the formation of a league of nations.

FLEET IS AT ANCHOR

(By Associated Press)

New York, December 26.—Led by the super-dreadnaught Arizona, ten great Battleships in command of Admiral Henry Mayo—the vanguard of America's victory fleet in European waters—steamed majestically up New York harbor today in review before Secretary of the Navy Daniels and were greeted in a tumultuous reception by hundreds of thousands of persons.

The fleet reached Ambrose Channel late yesterday afternoon and rode at anchor within sight of the city's lights last night.

The ships weighed anchor at 7:30 o'clock today and escorted by a fleet of 21 airplanes proceeded slowly up the harbor to the Statue of Liberty where Secretary Daniels and a party of distinguished guests on the Presidential yacht Mayflower reviewed the inspiring procession.

The shrieks of thousands of welcoming sirens and whistles were drowned by the thunderous salute of 19 guns from each battleship as it came abreast of the Mayflower.

The dreadnaughts passed up the Hudson and anchored from 55th to

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Russia's Future

Thus far the result of the conferences, now being held in Paris between the representatives of the allied nations and the United States on the one hand, and the understanding patriotic, liberty-loving Russian leaders on the other hand, seem to indicate that, to a great extent, Russia will be allowed to work out her own future status and settle her own governmental problems.

That is, of course, as it should be, as it is almost, if not wholly impossible for any nation or any association of nations, no matter how good their intentions may be, to establish, for another people a form of government which will be satisfactory and enduring.

Nations are not unlike individuals. They must choose their own method of existence—their is the responsibility, theirs the fault if any and theirs the blessings and happiness that follow the successful efforts of patriotic and unselfish endeavor.

Russia must work out her own salvation if she is to be saved as a nation. For the present no large military expedition will be sent to Russia by the allied nations. Only such force as will guarantee the safety of the interests of allied nations and the lives of allied subjects will be sent to or kept in Russia.

Russia's future is in the hands of the Russian people to make out of it what they have the ability, the integrity and the power to do.

The Trail's End?

The end of a long trail, the end of an eventful human life was reached Monday evening when all that was mortal of George Wilson was laid to final rest in Washington's cemetery just as the December sun sank below the western horizon.

We have read in our histories and some of us remember Sir Garnet Wolseley's memorable campaign of 1883, when a mere "handful" of British territorials set bravely forth across the great burning desert of upper Egypt to the relief of "Chinese" Gordon, held prisoner by the Mahdi's forces in Khartoum. It was a desperate campaign, one of those which have pushed the British empire to the utmost corners of the earth. It was one of those determined efforts which have made Great Britain what it is today.

The little army under Wolseley pushed on against every obstacle, thousands of hostile Sudanese, conquered its human enemies, enduring the hardships of the African desert, reached its destination at the confluence of the White and Blue Nile, too late to save Gordon from the fanatical hordes who had taken Khartoum, but in time to avenge his murder and establish forever law and order in the heart of darkest Africa. It was one of those history-making campaigns.

George Wilson was one of Queen Victoria's territorials who participated in that campaign. He has stood in the shadow of the pyramids, he had, with other British soldiers of his time, laughed at the landmarks placed by soldiers of other lands as the point beyond which it was impossible to go and then pushed on and attained for civilization the unattainable. He saw Berneby killed by a javelin hurled by one of the fanatics of the desert, walked the road from Jaffa to Jerusalem and Bethlehem, has done service in Egypt, in Malta, in in Gibraltar and followed the British flag in many campaigns which seemed doomed to failure but were gloriously concluded by the Anglo-Saxon determination.

And on Monday the end of that remarkable trail was marked by a mound of earth in Washington's cemetery. Strange caprice of fortune that brought this plain territorial to final rest here in interior America.

Not without the frailties common to human beings, perhaps, yet withal a remarkable life, serving well its part in a tremendous purpose.

We have spent many enjoyable moments listening to George Wilson recount his experience and Wolseley, Gordon, Berneby and Kitchener have come out of the past across the seas, left the histories of this great world and become personal acquaintances, as Wilson brought them close up.

What's left we wonder? What did the trail's end bring to Wilson? Has he marched on to meet his old commanders face to face again, has he even now seen Gordon and perhaps Baker Pasha too, who, a score of years before Gordon set out across the desert with no more protection than "a walking stick and his bible," planted the British flag on Lake Albert Nyanza—has he, we wonder, gone on while we see only the new-made grave as the end of the trail? We wonder—

POEM FOR TODAY

KEEPING ON
 Shadows where the sun should be?
 Dreary rain a-falling?
 Moaning winds across the hills?
 Brooklets sadly calling?
 Life's not always bright, I know,
 Grief on grief comes piling,
 But grief like rain is bound to go,
 So—keep a-smiling!

Work that never seems quite done?
 Always something waiting?
 Tasks that come with every sun?
 Far from animating?
 Toil is hard, but peace crowns not
 Days of idle shirking;
 And joy ends toil with toil forgot
 So—keep a-working!

Now and then, we question, too,
 If a God be living,
 Thoughtful of his children here,
 Gentle and forgiving;
 Doubts like these come to us all
 In our times of grieving—
 Just remember what He said
 And—keep believing!
 —Arthur Wallace Peach,
 in People's Home Journal.

WEATHER

Washington, December 26.—Ohio, West Pennsylvania: Light local snows Thursday; Friday fair; no decided temperature change.
 West Virginia—Local snows Thursday; Friday fair; no decided temperature change.
 Tennessee—Fair Thursday; Friday fair and warmer.
 Kentucky—Fair Thursday, probably light snow in east; Friday fair.

CLIMATOLOGICAL CHART.	
Temperature	24
Highest yesterday	41
Lowest last night	22
Moisture percentage	72
Rainfall06
Barometer	30.04
This date 1917 highest	29
This date 1917 lowest	6

RESTRICTIONS ON ALL ALIENS ARE MODIFIED

Lifting of Ban on Aliens Comes as Little Christmas Surprise to Many Thousands in U. S.

Washington, December 24.—(By Associated Press)—All restriction on German enemy aliens, except those applying to enter into or depart from the United States and those affecting the power of internment, were ordered removed today by Attorney General Gregory, effective Christmas day. This action was taken on cabled instructions from President Wilson and will affect about 500,000 German men and women.

It was explained the department of justice would continue to exercise the power of internment of dangerous German enemy aliens and that the order would not affect such aliens already interned.

This statement was issued at the department of justice.
 "On the recommendation of the attorney general, the president has directed that on and after Christmas day the attorney general discontinue enforcement of all regulations affecting the conduct of male and female German alien enemies except those restrictions which apply to entry into and departure from the country and those affecting the power of internment.

"This means that on Christmas day the permit and pass systems effective against these aliens will be abolished all over the country and that all prohibited areas and restricted zones will go out of existence. All registration regulations will likewise cease, and it will no longer be necessary for German alien enemies to obtain permits for change of residence. In short, they will be freed of all restrictions affecting places of residence and of employment.

"The attorney general, however, will continue to exercise as heretofore the power to intern all dangerous German alien enemies. The action of the president does not affect in any way the status of men already interned or the restrictions and obligations heretofore imposed on alien enemies now on parole. Any violation of parole will be punished as heretofore."

John Lord O'Brien, special assistant to the attorney general, explaining why Austrian were not mentioned in the order, said that the only regulation ever applied to them were those with reference to entry and departure and internment. The

effect of today's action is to place Germans and Austrians on the same footing.
 Approximately 250,000 Germans would be relieved from the necessity of carrying permits for entry into restricted areas, while the prohibited areas from which they were excluded absolutely would again be open to them. These are the District of Columbia, the Panama Canal zone and all water fronts.

HONOR IS GONE DECLARES HUN

(By Associated Press)
 London, December 24.—Commenting on the handing over to the British of the German submarine U-9 by members of its crew, who seized this opportunity to earn 500 marks, paid by Germany as compensation for taking the boats to England, the Cologne Volks Zeitung says:
 "Even when the astounding history of the Russian rubles given to the German people's deputies was related we had patience. We had, indeed, still one consolation.
 "But now revolutionaries in German naval uniforms prefer 500 marks to honor. These dishonorable men, will venture again to tread German soil with their wages of sin.
 "Can it really be true? Everything is lost, including German honor. We could not sink lower in the estimation of the world—it is impossible."

REALTY TRANSFERS
 W. H. Martindale et al to Chas. E. Moore 5.14 acres, Jefferson Tp., \$100.
 Lewis E. Leasure to J. H. Morris part lot 554, Stevens Add., \$100.
 S. H. Beatty et al by Sheriff to Warren J. Little 131.06 acres, Paint Tp.; \$26070.06.
 W. J. Little to Isaac Waples et al 16.16 acres, Paint Tp.; \$100.
 Nannie Cook to George Sessler, 1/2 of an acre, Jefferson Tp.; \$712.50.

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EITHER WAY



YOU CAN PULL THE DAMPER OUT - YOU CAN SHOVE THE DAMPER IN - BUT THE HEAT GOES UP THE CHIMNEY JUST THE SAME -

SALOONS QUIT MONTANA DRY DECEMBER 30

Hundreds of Saloons to Quit as Result of The Dry Wave—Brewers to Change Business

Helena, Mont., Dec. 24.—(By Associated Press)—State wide prohibition goes into effect in Montana at midnight on December 30, this year. With the passing of the saloon there will disappear one of the picturesque institutions of the West. At one time the saloon was an important feature in the social life of the hardy pioneers of the Treasure state.

In the early days when men were blazing the western trails the saloon followed them and, as a rule, was among the first industries to set up and transact business in the community. With a canvas for a top and a board bridging two boxes for a bar, hospitality at so much a drink was dispensed to the argonauts.

As communities prospered the owners of the saloon or "half way house" waxed prosperous in proportion. The barkeeper's was a strenuous life, for those who sought the cheer he dispensed included miners, cowboys, Indian fighters, cattlemen, sheepmen, the renegade and the ne'er do well. Revolvers more often than not, were the arbiters of disputes. The barkeeper's armament lay on the bar within handy reach and in full sight of the perhaps too ebullient customer to remind him that there were limits within which he must confine his celebration.

Cowpunchers, after months on the prairies looking after cattle, free of restraint and their pockets full of money rode into town scarcely discernible in a cloud of dust, punctuated with the flash of fire and report of revolvers. Like a tornado they swirled up to the front of the saloon, reigned their ponies back on their haunches and sometimes rode in thru the swinging doors. These were profitable days for the barkeeper, but he must need be a diplomat if his place remained intact.

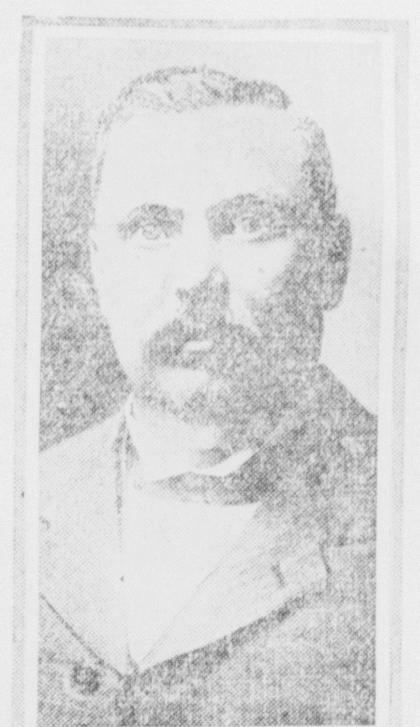
Sarah N. Stiffler to Harley Brown Lot No. 62, East End Imp.; \$450.00.
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 Emma E. Brown to Samuel Watson, 2.40 acres, Marion Tp., \$100.
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GENERAL BOTHA ARRIVE SIN LONDON

General Louis Botha, Premier of the Union of South Africa, has arrived in London from Cape Town, according to a report from London.



GENERAL BOTHA

The General said he had learned with satisfaction the Imperial Government would wholeheartedly support the claims of the Dominions to the German colonies. It was impossible for any South African statesman, he declared, to acquiesce in a policy which would place a disturbing element on the borders of the Union of South Africa.

FIX IT? YES!

If you have any broken furniture or any-you would like to have-refinished, see Miley at 344 East Paint street, or leave word at Miley's repair shop near Blackmore's livery barn, where all kinds of repair work is done and edge tools are sharpened.

Washington, December 26.—(By Associated Press)—Suffragists are planning a great nation-wide drive for the next two months in an effort to push the amendment through the Senate. Their latest poll shows but one additional vote is needed to carry it through.

Hard on the heels of the saloon came the gambler with the tools of his trade. Then followed the dance hall adjunct which brought with it the "orchestra," such as it was, or the automatic musical machines. All were part and parcel of the saloon.

Some of the modern saloons in the state's larger cities were elaborate in their fixtures, furniture and decorations. Until a few years ago Butte had a buffet whose entire floor was inlaid with imitation dollar coins, entirely natural in appearance.

Bar tenders in the state with other saloon employees, number about five thousand at the present time. A large percentage of saloons will continue in business, either with soft drinks or lunch, or both; or as bowling alleys, pool halls, or shooting galleries, and it is thought most of the saloon employees will be retained while the experiment is being tried.

Several of the larger breweries will turn to making artificial ice. Others, it is planned will dry vegetables.

GEN. ZIMMERMAN REACHES HOME PORT

Washington, December 24. Sailing from France on the transport Rijndam on December 19, with about 3000 officers and men, was announced today by the war department. The vessel will probably dock at Newport News January 1st.

On board the Rijndam are Casual Companies One Hundred and Eleven and Four Hundred and Four, Thirty-second Brigade Headquarters, Coast Artillery Corps; Ninth and Thirtieth Anti-air Craft Sections; One Hundred and Fourteenth Ammunition Train; 31 casual officers, including Brigadier General Charles Zimmerman.

Brigadier General Charles Zimmerman, who is mentioned among the casual officers returning home on the transport Rijndam, went to France with the Thirty-seventh (Ohio National Guards) Division. He formerly was colonel of the Fifty Infantry, Ohio National Guards. His home is in Cleveland.

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Frank M. Allen,
 Judge of the Probate Court,
 No. 2127, Fayette County, Ohio.
 December 26, 1918.

IT'S NOT YOUR HEART; IT'S YOUR KIDNEYS

Kidney disease is no respecter of persons. A majority of the ills afflicting people today can be traced back to the kidneys trouble. The kidneys are the most important organs of the body. They are the filters of your blood. If the poisons which are swept from the tissues by the blood are not eliminated through the kidneys, disease of one form or another will claim you as a victim. Kidney disease is usually indicated by weariness, sleeplessness, nervousness, despondency, backache, stomach trouble, pain in loins and lower abdomen, gall stones, gravel, rheumatism, sciatica and lumbago. All these derangements are nature's signals that the kidneys need help. You should use GOLD MEDAL Harlem Oil Capsules immediately. The soothing, healing oil stimulates the kidneys, relieves inflammation and destroys the germs which have caused it. Go to your druggist today and get a box of GOLD MEDAL Harlem Oil Capsules. In twenty-four hours you should feel health and vigor returning. After you feel somewhat improved continue to take one or two capsules each day, so as to keep the first-class condition and ward off the danger of other attacks. Ask for the original imported GOLD MEDAL brand. Three sizes. Money refunded if they do not help you. Adv.

News of Interest to Women

Mr. and Mrs. Homer McCune entertained with an elegant Turkey dinner Xmas day.

The table was very pretty with a miniature Xmas tree lighted with twelve small candles surrounded by holly and poinsettias forming the centerpiece.

The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Griffith and daughter Esther, Mr. William Griffith of Portsmouth, Ohio; Miss Helen Griffith, of New York City and Mrs. Chas. Cramblitt.

Distinctive features of much interest marked the delightful Christmas dinner entertained by Mrs. N. M. Roberts.

Four generations were represented in the gathering and the great-grand mother had a beautiful Christmas tree for the great-grandchildren.

Red and green decorations prevailed and the big turkey was flanked with all the accessories.

Participating were Dr. and Mrs. D. H. Rowe, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Mark, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Tanguary, daughter, Ruth, Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler Bay and family, Mr. and Mrs. Martin G. Morris and family.

Mr. L. C. Mallow, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mallow entertained at the Mallow home on the Plymouth pike with an elegant Christmas dinner.

Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Hall and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. Bouham, Mr. L. E. Mallow of Toledo, Mr. Wert Mallow.

In the list of Christmas dinners none were more enjoyed than an elaborate one served by Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Deere, on the Snow Hill pike. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mark, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Burris, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bush, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Nicoley, Mrs. John Deere.

The college set home for the vacation and young society people generally are especially anticipating the Christmas dance, which Chi Delta Chi Club gives tonight at the K. of P. Hall. Not that it will be confined to this set alone, but it will be par excellence the dance in which youth will be fully represented and planned especially for holiday week.

The Christmas decorations are on an elaborate scale and O'Neil's splendid orchestra of Springfield has been secured. The grand march starts at nine o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mark of near Jasper, entertained with a jolly Xmas party on Christmas eve, honoring their son, Russell, who was home from Camp Sherman on a furlough and obliged to return Christmas morning.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Wikle of Staunton, entertained at one of the most delightful of the season's dinners, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rowe, Mr. and Mrs. Silas Wikle, Mrs. Nettie Bay, Mrs. Ralph Allen and son, Charles.

A merry party was entertained by Dale Poole, of the Waterloo pike, on Christmas night.

Games, contests, victrola music and violin and guitar duets by Messrs. Charles and Omar Barnett and Scott Campbell provided generously for the evening's pleasure. Flowers and holly formed pretty decorations and refreshments were served.

The young host was assisted by his mother, Mrs. Harry Bell and Miss Doris Kelley. The guests included: Misses Lucille Thompson, Lulu Lininger, Doris Kelley, Maude Allen, Ellen Owens, Bernice Pastors, Hazel and Mary Yeoman, Ruth Dupernell of Detroit, Miss Dorothy Wolfe, Opal and Lucy Campbell, Geraldine Craig, Richard and Eugene Thompson, Harold Wood, Vernon Snodgrass, Fred Voss, Earl Davidson, Frank Wolfe.

Mr. and Mrs. Poole also entertained Mr. and Mrs. Scott Campbell and family, mother, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bell, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wolfe and son Harry, Mr. and Mrs. Omar Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pastors and Charles Barnett.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hays entertained with a beautiful Christmas dinner, at which their guests were Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McCoy, Miss Myrtle Jess and Willis, Mr. and Mrs. J. Earl McLean and Willard, Rev. and Mrs. Thos. Hays, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hays and son Warren Russell.

A most pleasurable family dinner was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Barnett Christmas. Seated with the host and hostess were Mrs. Ellen Cissna, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Kinnear of Columbus, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Barnett and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dill hospitably threw open their country home on the Jeffersonville pike for a very merry neighborhood party Christmas night.

It was in honor of three residents, who are moving from the neighborhood with their families to the very

great regret of their long time neighbors, Mr. T. C. Kirk, Mr. Lucius Carr and Mr. Dan Russell.

Thirty-three were present and the Christmas gifts handed out by Santa were happily exchanged.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Timmons entertained at an elaborate dinner on Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kibler, of New Holland, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Sturtevant, of Chillicothe, Mrs. Frank Hare, sons Edward and Edgar, of Fincastle, Miss, Averil Hare of Columbus, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Kibler of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jackson and daughter, Miss Emma, entertained with the dinner which is always a much anticipated affair of Christmas day.

The table, most artistically decorated in bittersweet, with fruit centerpiece, was laid with seventeen covers and an elegant dinner served.

The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Fullerton, daughters, Misses Margaret and Dorothy, Mrs. Bella L. Ustick, daughter, Miss Florence, Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Jackson and daughters, Helen Jackson and Judith Ann, Miss Mary Edwards, Mr. Erk Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Wilson extended the hospitality of their handsome home on Court street at a family dinner Christmas.

The dinner was a very elaborate one, the guests including Miss Ethel Wilson, Mr. Glenn Wilson and three children, Mr. Ray Wilson and family, Mr. Vernon Wilson and family, of Sunbury.

Judith Ann Mitchner, the pretty young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Mitchner gave a merry theater party Christmas afternoon. After enjoying the matinee at the Palace theater the young hostess further delighted her guests by taking them to Tobin's ice cream parlors for refreshments.

In the party were Enid McClure, Helen Louise Jackson, Janet Whelpley, Helen Teeters, Mary Josephine Bireley, Lillian Teeters, Margaret Gibson, Virginia Evans, Helen Sunkle, Virginia Ellies, Georgia Harper.

With the spontaneous hospitality which is characteristic, Mr. and Mrs. Austin F. Hopkins and son, Edwards home from Columbia University for the holidays, entertained at an exceptionally elaborate family dinner Christmas.

Christmas greens glowed throughout the spacious home and a wonderful begonia formed the center of the table decorations.

Seated with Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins and son were Mrs. Ellen Jones, Mrs. Eva J. Penn, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hamilton; Hon. and Mrs. J. M. Willis, daughters, Misses Gretchen and Doris, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Penn, daughters Kathleen and Marjorie.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ford handsomely entertained Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ford, daughter, Miss Ethel, of Milledgeville; Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Baughn, of Bloomingburg, Mr. Will Ford.

A most delightful Christmas dinner, with elaborate menu and miniature Christmas tree sparkling in the center of a perfectly appointed table was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Ray Maynard.

The guests were confined to Mrs. Maynard's family and included her mother, Mrs. Wm. A. Henry, who has just returned from a western trip, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dunlap, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hafner, son, Whitney; Mr. Virgil Henry, Greenfield; Mr. Ralph Henry, Middle town; Mr. and Mrs. Gaddis Henry and two children, of this city.

Rev. Floyd Gales united in marriage Mr. Glen C. Arnold son of Mr. Alphens Arnold of this city, and Miss Grace Fultz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Fultz of the Sabina pike, on Tuesday evening at 4:30 o'clock at the M. P. parsonage on Dayton Avenue.

The groom is a mechanic and will take his bride to Springfield, to make his future home, where he holds a responsible position.

Their many friends through out the county are extending best wishes, and are regretting their departure from this community.

To celebrate their fifteenth wedding anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. McCoy entertained with a turkey dinner on Christmas day.

Seated with the host and hostess were Mrs. Martha Wilson, Mrs. W. O. Templin, daughters, Margaret Susie and son Clark; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Davis and children of Madison Mills; and the McCoy children.

The house was artistically decorated in Christmas greens and holly. The exchanging of gifts following the dinner hour, with the extending

of congratulations, wound up a day of much pleasure.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Toops entertained with an enjoyable Christmas dinner at their home at Cooks Station, their guests including Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Butcher and daughter, Miss Gladys of this city, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dorn and children Sedalia; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Paul and children of Five Points.

On Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Wilson entertained at a turkey dinner, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Will Elliott, daughter, Dorothy, Mr. Alonzo Wilson, son Homer, Mrs. Karl Beck, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Fisher, son Ray and daughter, Mary, and Mr. Henry Hoppers.

A beautifully decorated Christmas tree for the two little daughters of the house, Martha and Susan Wilson delighted the children.

No wedding of the holiday season is attended with greater interest than that of Miss Bernice Boggs, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. S. E. Boggs and Mr. Heber McCoy, son of Mrs. Ed McCoy, which came as a complete surprise to both the families and friends galore.

The ceremony was performed Christmas eve by Rev. Arthur P. Cherrington, at Grace M. E. parsonage, but not even the parents were

given the least intimation until the announcement was made at a Christmas dinner entertained by the bridegroom's mother on Wednesday.

This Christmas dinner is an annual affair, in which Mrs. McCoy, sons Heber and Harold, Dr. Boggs and family, Mr. T. O. Smalley and family, participate. This year it happened most opportunely to be given at the McCoy home.

It was a beautiful dinner, with effective decorations of flowers, greenery and fruit and an elaborate menu, but everything else was completely subordinated by the announcement which was made with the utmost non-chalance by the bridegroom just before the serving of the dinner, then a storm of congratulations broke and it was some time before congratulations could be sufficiently quieted to turn the attention to the Christmas feast.

The bride responded with becoming blushes, looking very pretty in a beautiful gown of taupe georgette, beaded in coral and turquoise. She is one of the most charming of girls, possessing rare qualities of mind and heart which have doubly endeared her to friends and also decided musical talent which has always been generously at their disposal.

The bridegroom is a popular and well known young farmer of Fayette. Few young people are lunched upon their married life with more genuine good wishes than are following the announcement from a widely extended circle of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. McCoy left Christmas night for a short stay in Columbus. Upon their return they will be located with the bridegroom's mother on the McCoy road, until future plans are matured.

Mrs. A. M. Stubbs, of Cleveland was the guest last night of Mrs. H. H. Whelpley on her way to Bainbridge to attend the funeral of her mother Mrs. J. H. Huling.

Pvt. Emerson Chapman arrived home, Tuesday night, after receiving his discharge from the Navy. He was assigned to the U. S. S. Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Rothrock of Springfield, Ill., are visiting Mr. Rothrock's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Rothrock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Sparks, of Dayton, spent Christmas Eve with Mrs. Sparks' parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Lloyd on Clinton avenue and Christmas day with Mr. Sparks' sisters on Campbell street.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Lloyd ate Christmas dinner with their daughter, Mrs. Frank Demorest and family in Bloomingburg.

Private Howard Rogers, of M. Company, who was severely wounded in action, arrived at the home of his father, Mr. H. M. Rogers, of near Bloomingburg, Thursday morning, for a short visit before returning to the hospital at Camp Taylor, Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Highmiller entertained as their Christmas guest Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Highmiller and two Grand-daughters, Harriet and Jane Renick, of Columbus.

Mrs. Joseph E. Rowan and little son Joseph, Jr. arrived this evening from Blanchester for a few days visit with the Misses Rowan.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schenck returned to Dayton, Wednesday night

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Howard came over from Circleville to spend Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Willard Story, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Kibler, had as their Christmas guests, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Roof, Misses Sadie and Grace Glenn, of Columbus, Mr. Milton Glenn, of Coalton.

Mr. Frank Woodlyn, who was recently discharged from Service spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Woodlyn at Bloomingburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Todhunter and children of Greenfield spent Christmas day with Mr. George Waters and family.

Lieut. O. A. Turner has received his discharge from the Army, and is home from Camp Hancock, Ga.

Mrs. H. H. Whelpley and son Mr. James Whelpley entertained over Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Whelpley, of Delaware.

Mrs. Catherine Adkins and Mr. Mooney, of Columbus are spending the day with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Butcher.

Misses Dorcas and Leona Waters, Frank Holdren and Clark Coffey motored to Columbus, Wednesday to see "Chin Chin" at the Hartman theater.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Brown visited Mr. Brown's parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown at Leesburg, Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kingsbury were down from Columbus spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Kingsbury.

Mr. Raymond Godfrey is quite ill at his home on Rose avenue.

Mrs. Sarah E. Rowe, Misses Florence and Elsie Rowe were Christmas guests of Mr. W. E. Rowe and family south of town over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Turner and children were Christmas visitors at the Turner home in Jeffersonville.

E. E. Newman, of Cleveland, Secretary and general manager of The Cleveland Trust Co. died in Kansas City, while on business. His wife is a niece of Mark and Miss Belle De Witt. Mark DeWitt left for Cleveland this morning to attend the funeral.

Albert Meier, of Columbus visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Meier Christmas Day.

Lt. J. O. Walsh, Camp Devens, Mass., was a guest at the home of Mr. Edwin Weaver and family the past two days.

Misses Kate and Lucy Farmer were visitors in Columbus Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Jefferson, arrived from Athens, Thursday to visit Mr. Wm. F. Jefferson and family in Bloomingburg until the last of the week.

Mrs. H. M. Kingsbury has received word that her nephew, Ernest Lotz, of Zanesville, now with the Rainbow Division in France is seriously wounded.

Spencer Reno, who is with the Motor Shop Aviation Co., Southern Field, Ga., is spending a ten days furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Reno.

Capt. W. B. Hershey came up from Chillicothe to spend Christmas with his wife and daughter, Mrs. Wm. Vail, of Niles; his sister, Miss Carrie, of Springfield, joining them for the day.

AFTER CHRISTMAS SALE OF READY-TO-WEAR

Many received gifts of money for Christmas with which to buy some garment they would like. Now is the time to make your selection, while the stocks are at their fullest.

SUITS

Remarkable values can be had now in these splendid Suits. Seldom do you find such assortments as these at this time of the season, but there are a great number to select from and each one greatly reduced. The following prices prevail:

Formerly priced up to \$25.00, now...	\$14.75
Formerly priced up to \$35.00, now...	\$19.75
Formerly priced up to \$45.00, now...	\$24.75
Formerly priced up to \$55.00, now...	\$29.75
Formerly priced up to \$65.00, now...	\$39.75
Formerly priced up to \$80.50, now...	\$49.75



COATS

Thrifty shoppers will find many exceptional values now to be had in our Coats. Many have been re-priced and can now be had at prices you will be pleased to pay. And our assortments are so large that you will almost be sure of finding something to please you.

Many of the famous
Wooltex Garments
are included in this reduction.



DRESSES

Two wonderful dress assortments are here for you to select from. On both you will find dresses greatly reduced, some even more than half.

Satins, Serges, Jerseys, Tricolitte and every fashionable material of this season's wear is here awaiting your selection.

You will certainly appreciate the exceptional values to be obtained at this time.

One rack priced at—
\$14.75
The other priced at—
\$24.75



FURS

Every piece of Fur is now reduced from
1-4
—to—
1-2
its former value.



No matter what prices you wish to pay you will find just the right thing here. All of these Furs are our regular stock which you can buy with perfect safety for they are guaranteed by us.

BLOUSES

Many will invest their gift money in Blouses this season, and they should, when such pretty ones can be obtained at this very moderate price.

Hundreds of beautiful Georgette and Crepe De Chine models are priced at—

\$4.95



MILLINERY

Last call for Millinery; only just a few left, but the prices are so low that these will move quickly. If you would like a new mid-winter hat you should see these.

Hats up to \$10.00, now—
\$2.95
Hats up to \$18.00, now—
\$4.95

Choice of any child's hat.....95c

UNDERWEAR

Plenty of good heavy underwear is here awaiting you at prices you will like.

The Frank L. Stutons Co.

SLEDS

Quite a number of sleds that steer are offered for only—
\$1.00

Bargain Days FOR CITY Subscribers TO THE WASHINGTON HERALD

Readers of The Herald, receiving their paper in the city by carrier delivery, will be able on

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 26, 27, 28, to obtain

\$5.25 THE HERALD ONE YEAR FOR \$5.25 in advance.
 ALL ARREARAGES PAID. ALL CHECKS MUST BE MADE PAYABLE TO HERALD PUBLISHING CO.
 Payments must be made at the office of The Herald Publishing Company or mailed so as to reach the office not later than 9:00 p. m. on Saturday, December 28th, 1918.

Remember the days, the place and the amount of this bargain-time offer for city subscribers.

WILSON SAYS ALLIED VIEWS SAME AS U. S.

President Addresses Host in Khaki on Christmas Day

Declares Soldiers Never Did Nobler or More Effective Work

(By Associated Press)
 Chaumont, December 26.—President Wilson, in an address delivered to city officials and army officers yesterday after he reviewed 10,000 troops, representing every division of General Pershing's army, said he and the leading allied statesmen so far hold the same views regarding peace conditions.

"I feel that I have been peculiarly honored in the generous reception you have given me," he said, "and it is the more delightful because it so obviously comes from the heart."

"And I cannot but believe that it is an instinctive response to the feeling that is in my own breast, because I think that even you, who feel contact with our soldiers, cannot but realize the depth and sincerity of the feeling of the United States for France."

"It is an ancient friendship, but it has been renewed and has taken on a new youth. It is a friendship which is not only tentative, but one based upon a communion of principle."

"You have spoken very generously and beautifully of the relations which have sprung up between yourselves and our soldiers. That is because they came not only to associate themselves with you as the champions of liberty, but they came with personal affections in their hearts for the people of France, and it must have been that which you realized."

"They did not come as strangers in their thoughts. They brought with them something that made them feel at home the moment they were at Harve or at Brest in France."

"So I am very much moved by being thus drawn, as they have been, into your midst and into your conferences, and wish to thank you very warmly for them and the people of the United States. I, like them, shall carry away with me the most delightful recollections, and in my heart shall always say, as I now say: 'Vive la France!'"

Immediately after a reception at the Hotel de Ville President Wilson, with General Pershing and party, motored to Humes, where the President reviewed a detachment of the First Army of the American expeditionary forces. Addressing the troops General Pershing said:

"Mr. President and Fellow Soldiers: We are gathered here today to do honor to the commander of our armies and navies. For the first time an American President will review an American army on foreign soil—the soil of a sister republic, beside whose gallant troops we have fought to restore peace to the world."

"Speaking for you and your comrades, I am proud to declare to the President that no army has ever

more loyally or more effectively served its country, and none has ever fought in a nobler cause."

"You, Mr. President, by your confidence and by your support, have made the success of our army, and to you as our Commander in Chief may I now present the nation's victorious army."

In replying President Wilson said: "General Pershing and Fellow Comrades: I wish that I could give to each one of you the message that I know you are longing to receive from those at home who love you. I cannot do that, but I can tell you how every one has put his heart into it. So you have done your duty and something more. You have done your duty, and you have done it with a spirit which gave it distinction and glory."

"And now we are to hail the fruits of everything. You conquered, when you came over what you came over for, and you have done what it was appointed for you to do. I know what you expected of me. Some time ago a gentleman from one of the countries with which we are associated was discussing with me the moral aspects of this war, and I said that if we did not insist upon the high purpose which we have accomplished the end would not be justified."

SCHWAB PAYS PRESS TRIBUTE

(By Associated Press)
 Philadelphia, December 26.—Chas. M. Schwab in retiring recently from the post of Director General of the Emergency Fleet Corporation expressed his appreciation of the co-operation of the press of the country and the newspaper support of his efforts. As host at a luncheon to the heads of departments of the Corporation he said:

"I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the press of Philadelphia and to the press of the entire country for their splendid co-operation. The spontaneity of this co-operation was for me an inspiration which ever served to lighten the great tasks that confronted me during my service as Director General. Newspapers throughout the land worked in concert to give the proper impetus to the shipbuilding program—their work was constructive and American to the core. At all times the newspaper workers, from the managing editor to the reporter, displayed an intense, patriotic desire to aid in making the work of the Emergency Fleet Corporation a success."

"The splendid work of the newspapers is reflected in the shipyards where hundreds of thousands of employees are turning out our ships. The newspapers did a lion's share in the work of keeping up the morale of grateful more than words can express. I am proud of the press of my country—proud of the work that thousands of individual newspapermen everywhere did to mould public opinion in favor of the shipbuilding program."

SUGAR GROVE W. C. T. U.

The meeting of the Sugar Grove W. C. T. U. will be held on Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Clark McCoy at 1:30.

BUY SAVING STAMPS NOW

MORE DELAY IN OPENING

(By Associated Press)
 Paris, December 26.—More than three weeks probably will elapse before the general peace conference assembles.

It is unlikely that any official statement will be issued in the meantime concerning the number of Governments represented or tests to be applied to determine the result of applicants to participate.

Technical experts attached to the delegations of the principal Powers already have given much study to this subject. If negotiations to reach an agreement on this point have not been undertaken already it is certain they will be immediately after President Wilson's return from London.

Notwithstanding the indisposition of the British Government to inject business into Mr. Wilson's visit, it is possible in his conferences with Premier Lloyd George and Foreign Minister Balfour the foundation may be laid for settlement of the question of representation, which Mr. Wilson probably has discussed with Premier Clemenceau.

GLOOM HOVERS OVER OLD BILL

(By Associated Press)
 Amerongen, Holland, December 26.—William Hohenzollern's health has shown a marked improvement, but he is still compelled to exercise great precaution owing to the penetrating and damp weather. Since Saturday the former Emperor has not left his suite of apartments in Amerongen Castle, but has been able to join the members of his retinue at all meals.

He occupies other periods of the day in reading hundreds of letters reaching him from all parts of the world. He receives only an occasional telegram, and these rarely evoke a reply.

The former Emperor also remains in her apartment, not even going into the gardens within the surrounding moats.

The Christmas celebration was a most unpretentious affair. Those participating besides the former Emperor and Empress were a number of officers, who resigned their commission in the German army in order to remain in the vicinity of their former ruler's retreat, and household servants and orderlies.

GEN. RHODES BADLY INJURED

Paris, December 23.—An airplane piloted by a British officer and carrying an American general, believed to be General Rhodes, of Delaware, O., from Treves, Germany, capsized at Louvres, on the outskirts of Paris. The pilot was killed and the general was seriously injured.

RESTRICTIONS OFF ON GRINDING FLOUR

The Washington Milling Company has resumed the work of producing old brands and old grades of flour after being under government supervision during the past year or so while precautions were being taken to produce only war flour.

All mills were thus restricted during the period of the wheat saving

program, and all produced only war grades, but with the lifting of the restrictions the big plant once more is turning out the usual grades and brands for which there is a heavy demand.

CHEERY CANDLES SHED THEIR RAYS

The very beautiful custom of placing candles in windows, which has been popular in this city for several years, was generally observed again, Christmas eve, and hundreds of candles shed their cheery rays, reminding the passerby of the Star of Bethlehem and the real meaning of Christmas time.

As the candle gleams radiated in the windows the High School Glee Clubs sang the Christmas Carols and the effect was inspirational to listening hundreds.

The usual Christmas decorations of bells, holly and greenery added the finishing touches to the real Christmas cheer.

KIND OF WORK IS A REAL PROBLEM

Columbus, O., December 26.—Just what kind of a job can you really hold down?

Failure of men seeking work to answer that question satisfactorily frequently has resulted in men being sent to jobs which they were not qualified to fill, causing disappointment to the men and annoyance to the employer.

To obviate this difficulty, the U. S. Employment Service is preparing to issue a series of pamphlets giving descriptions and specifications of various trade occupations so that a man many know at once whether or not he's fitted for the job.

"Some men who have been working on some part of a shell would not fit in at all as experienced machinists and time and effort spent in referring them to this type of work would be wasted," said an employment service statement.

BLUEVILLE SCENE OF LIVELY SCRAP

For engaging in a pitched battle in which lists and other implements of war of more serious nature are said to have been used, four persons faced Mayor Dahl and each drew \$5.00 and the costs for their form of celebrating Christmas.

The fight occurred in "Blueville," in the eastern part of the city, and the combatants were Luther Robinson, Clarence Roberts, Clarence Cash and Lawrence Cash, all of whom bore unmistakable signs of the encounter, the first two named bearing the bulk of the marks.

The trouble is said to have started close on the heels of a wordy squabble.

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Penetrating, Antiseptic Zemo Will Help You

Never mind how often you have tried and failed, you can stop burning, itching eczema quickly by applying a little zemo furnished by any druggist for 35c. Extra large bottle, \$1.00. Healing begins the moment zemo is applied. In a short time usually every trace of eczema, tetter, pimples, rash, blackheads and similar skin diseases will be removed.

For clearing the skin and making it vigorously healthy, always use zemo, the penetrating, antiseptic liquid. It is not a greasy salve and it does not stain. When others fail it is the one dependable treatment for skin troubles of all kinds. The E. W. Rose Co., Cleveland, O.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

Probate Court, Fayette County, Ohio. No. 2519.
 W. H. Hetteshimer as Admin. of the estate of Carolina Hetteshimer, Plaintiff.

VS.
 Addie Short et al. Defendants.

In pursuance of an order of the Probate Court of Fayette County, Ohio I will offer for sale at public auction on the 11th day of January, 1919 at 2 o'clock p. m. at the door of the Court House, in Washington C. H., Ohio, the following described real estate, situate in the county of Fayette, State of Ohio, and in the City of Washington and bounded and described as follows:

Being the Northeastly One Half of Lot Numbered One Hundred and Forty-one (41) in Rawling's Addition to the Town (now City) of Washington, as will more fully appear by reference to the Recorded Plat of said Addition in Recorder's office, Fayette County, Ohio.

Terms of sale, cash.

W. H. HETTESHIMER, Administrator of the estate of Carolina Hetteshimer, deceased.

FRANK A. CHAFFIN, Attorney.

PEACEMAKER IS FINED THE COSTS

The first case reaching the Mayor's court as the result of the cutting at fray on Gregg street a few nights ago, was that of Chester Bryan, charged with disorderly conduct, who had received a gash across the face during the affray.

It was claimed by Bryan that he was acting as a peacemaker during the scrimmage, and he was left off with the costs.

Other affidavits have been filed and the offenders will be brought before Mayor Dahl to answer to the charges filed.

W. C. T. U.

The local W. C. T. U. will meet on Friday at 2:30 o'clock in the Baptist church. A Christmas program will be given. A cordial welcome to all.

Secretary.

GROUP MEETING

The Washington Avenue (Group B) of Grace M. E. Church will meet at the home of Miss Abbie Rockwell, on Friday evening, December 27th, at 7:30 o'clock.

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NO COMPLAINTS OF DRUNKENNESS

The police received no complaints of drunkenness Christmas day, and picked up no one who had imbibed on freely of intoxicants, although Patrolman Haggard had taken especial pains to build a good fire in the city cleanup in anticipation of picking up several who had celebrated too freely.

According to the police the great holiday passed off more quietly than any in recent years.

AFFIRMS JUDGMENT OF COMMON PLEAS

Handing down a decision in the case of J. S. Wilson, plaintiff in error, against Ed Darlington, defendant in error, the Fayette County Court of Appeals affirmed the judgment of the common pleas court.

The decision is rather brief, and says:

"The question raised by the record is whether the petition below states a cause of action."

"Counsel contends that the contract declared upon in the petition is void for lack of mutuality."

"Assuming this to be true, still the answer tenders an issue upon the existence of the contract, and this would supply the omission in the petition. (Louderman v. July, 2 C. C. 351.)"

"There being no bill of exceptions, the presumption is that the evidence justifies the judgment. Judgment affirmed."

Rankin and Rankin, for Plaintiff in Error. Post and Reid, for Defendant in Error.

GIFT TO EMPLOYEES

The Washington Gas and Electric Company gave to each of its numerous employees for Christmas, a two pound box of choice chocolates.

Read the Want Ads Today

A Resolution

The New Year is most here; the time of new resolutions. One good one for the housewife is to resolve that she will put her home on a business basis and send her washing to the Soft Water Plant. And resolve to start right for the new year—That means next week.

The Rothrock Laundry

MRS. M. A. COFFMAN EITHER PHONE

TO-NIGHT AND TOMORROW

PALACE

Washington's Foremost Picture Theatre

TO-NIGHT AND TOMORROW

Fannie Ward in Innocent

Innocent is a little American girl raised within the walls of a Chinese garden, later returning to America.

A Picture You Will Enjoy and Long Remember


Shows at 7:00 & 8:30

Special-Official Government Picture: The Capture of Jerusalem. Don't miss seeing it.

Admission 10c & 15c War tax included

Don't wait until a cold and the grip have a firm hold. Take Lane's cold and grip Tablets as soon as you feel a cold coming on. Neglect is dangerous and often spells pneumonia. Keep a package handy for emergency. Results are guaranteed. Sold by druggists everywhere.





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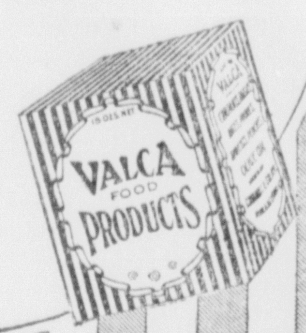
Valca Pitted Prunes have a delicious flavor—there are no pits to remove—the labor has been done for you and there is no waste.

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ROLL OF HONOR

Today's casualty list contains 4302 names, including 212 Ohioans. Wednesday's list contained 199 Ohioans. The Thursday's list is divided as follows: Killed in action 87; died of wounds 120; died of accident and other causes 17; died of disease 202; missing 14; wounded severely 509; wounded degree undetermined 1615; wounded slightly 1218.

Ohioans in this part of the state included in the list are:

WEDNESDAY LIST

Wounded Degree Undetermined
Sergeant William Shoemaker, of Xenia.

Wounded Severely
Private John W. Temple, Chillicothe.

Wounded Slightly
Sergeant Walter Vanzant, Hillsboro.

THURSDAY LIST

Wounded Degree Undetermined
Captain Earle V. Miller, Hillsboro.

Killed in Action
Lieutenant John E. Creeden, London.

Wounded Slightly
Mechanic Lincoln Truman, Leesburg.

Missing in Action
Private Lowell W. Steele, Cooke.

HARTMAN THEATER

COLUMBUS, OHIO.

"Oh, Boy!" the 4th Annual Princess Theater, New York success, which will be seen at the Hartman Theater, Columbus, Ohio, for 4 days, starting Sunday, December 29th, is the signal musical comedy success of the season. Its tremendous popularity is due to the exceptionally clever and witty book and tuneful score which possesses more hits than any other musical comedy of the season. The most striking musical numbers are: "An Old Fashioned Wife," "The Clouds Roll By," "Rolled Into One," "Flubby Dub, the Cave Man," and "When It's Nesting Time in Flaz-bush." It is scarcely an exaggeration to state that "Music by Kern" is the most popular in America today. Mr. Kern's compositions are essentially dance music and they form a part of more dance programs than the music of any ten other composers. His music reveals a difference in treatment, a difference in the manner in which it is presented as they are representative of the personalities of the characters who sing the songs. The music is the kind you like to whistle and the tunes are easily remembered.

The book is worth while and has a plot and situations. In "Oh, Boy!" Messrs. Bolton and Wodehouse endeavored to strike a note of consistency throughout; a chorus is never brought in to a scene unless the situation demands its appearance. The same applies to each musical number, the lyrics of which are all stories connected with the plot.

Much of the success achieved by the Comstock-Elliott Company in the musical comedy field is due to the charm and cleanliness of their attractions, the exceptional cast and the extreme charm of the girls.

Columbus will see the original Princess Theater cast which includes Anna Wheaton, Hal Forde, Elaine Wilson, Charles Compton, Edna May Oliver, Augusta Haviland, Stephen Maley, Jack Raffael, Harry Queney, Jack Merritt, Ralph O'Brien, Ethel Ford, Margaret Mason, Helen Francis and an ensemble of youth, beauty and charm for which the Princess is famous.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Estate of George Wilson, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that Scott Hopkins has been duly appointed and qualified as Administrator of the estate of George Wilson, late of Fayette County, Ohio, deceased.

Frank M. Allen, Judge of the Probate Court, No. 2126, Fayette County, Ohio, December 26, 1918.

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C. L. McClure.

FARM NOTES

Farmers Name Problems

The following agriculture problems are the ones which Ohio farmers will attempt to solve during the coming year, as set forth in most of the recently adopted programs of work of the different county farm bureaus.

Standardizations of the varieties of crops. An attempt will be made, for instance, to promote still further the growth of one or two varieties of wheat. Gladden wheat is one variety which has been adopted in several counties.

More extensive growth of legumes. Formation of breed and livestock associations.

Control of plant diseases such as the cereal smuts.

Educational work in the control of animal diseases such as hog cholera.

Control of insect pests, such as the Hessian fly.

Pruning, spraying, and thinning of fruit in orchards.

More extensive use of lime and acid phosphate.

Introduction of more tile drainage systems.

Promotion of cow-testing and bull associations.

Development of boy's and girls club work in agriculture and home economics.

More general use of farm account books and introduction of other farm management demonstrations.

The county farm bureaus of Ohio have a total membership of over 30000 farmers.

CROXTON EXTENDS HIS APPRECIATION

Columbus, December 22, 1918

Editors The Herald:—

The work of the Food Administration is approaching an end. By the first of the year it will have been practically dissolved. All expenses in connection therewith are being cut off.

It is our hope, however, that the people will not accept this as meaning that there no longer exists the necessity for food saving. The need for continued conservation is even greater than before if we are to fulfill our pledge to ship 20 million tons of food stuffs to the hungry hands of Europe this year.

The Food Administration was created as a war emergency and while it does not legally pass out of existence until the signing of peace, it is felt that the purpose for which it was created has been fulfilled and in the interest of economy is winding up its business.

Ohio has made a remarkable showing in the matter of food saving as well as in all other war measures. This was due to the wholehearted and loyal co-operation of her citizens.

No one will question that it would not have been possible to mobilize our forces, to produce and to save as we have without the support of the newspapers. It was the appeals published in your columns that brought us safely through the wheat crisis and the sugar crisis and enabled this country to send millions of pounds of flour and sugar to our soldiers and our allies.

And so we wish to thank you for the part you have played and through your columns to thank the citizens of your community for the loyal attitude which they have at all times evinced and to assure them that they can take pardonable pride in having done their part in winning the war.

With sincere best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year, I am,

Very truly yours,

FRED C. CROXTON,
Federal Food Administrator for Ohio

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WANTED—Girl or woman for general house work. Call Mrs. H. Lersch Bell phone 813 R. 301t6

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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Estate of C. E. Page, deceased. Notice is hereby given that Elizabeth Page has been duly appointed and qualified as Administratrix of the estate of C. E. Page late of Fayette County, Ohio, deceased.

FRANK M. ALLEN, Judge of the Probate Court, No. 2125, Fayette County, Ohio, December 19th, 1918.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Estate of George W. Thompson deceased. Notice is hereby given that Ella Thompson has been duly appointed and qualified as executrix of the estate of George W. Thompson late of Fayette County, Ohio, deceased.

FRANK M. ALLEN, Judge of the Probate Court, No. 2121, Fayette County, Ohio, December 12th, 1918.

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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Estate of Sylvia Sexton, deceased. Notice is hereby given that Dallas Hynes has been duly appointed and qualified as Executor of the estate of Sylvia Sexton late of Fayette County, Ohio, deceased.

FRANK M. ALLEN, Judge of the Probate Court, No. 2128, Fayette County, Ohio, December 26th, 1918.

The State of Ohio, Fayette County ss:

To whom it may concern:—

Notice is hereby given that accounts and vouchers have been filed in the office of said Court,

By Administrators of

2925 Olga F. Beatty

2959 Joseph Moore

By Executors of

1679 Nancy Seabury

By Guardians of

1008 Eva Bowen

1077 Malcomb K. Evans

All persons interested in said accounts or trusts in any way whatever will take notice that the same have been set for hearing on the 1st day of February, 1919, at or before which time exceptions may be filed to any of said accounts and the same will be heard at that date or at such other time as the Court may designate.

FRANK M. ALLEN, Probate Judge, December 26th, 1918.

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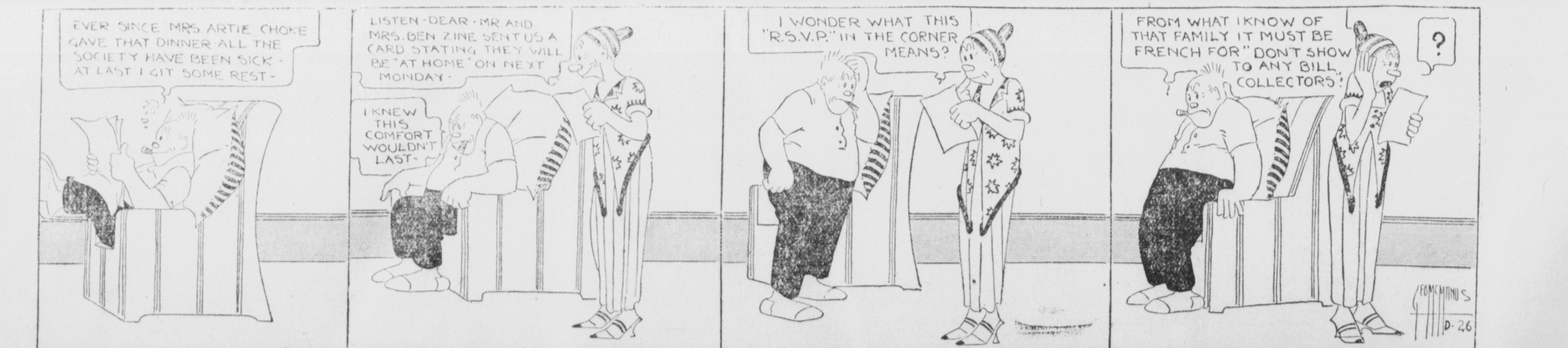
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